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Arms Dealer Is Sued for Back Taxes

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Samuel Cummings, who built his Alexandria weapons company into a multimillion dollar enterprise, is being sued by the federal government for more than $2.4 million it claims he owes in back taxes.

Cummings, a self-made millionaire, is the only stockholder and president of International Armament Corp. The firm and its subsidiaries do an estimated annual business of $20 million in selling armaments throughout the non-Communist world.

The company not only sells small arms and ammunition, but heavy equipment such as jet fighters and tanks.

The government filed the suit in U.S. Tax Court, claiming Cummings understated his income during a four-year period that ended in 1966. Cummings is contesting the Internal Revenue Service claim.

Cummings lives in Monaco.